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Hi All,

Below please find my recap of the Board's organizational meeting of January 5th. This is the nuts and bolts meeting of the year wherein Boards are reappointed, banks and official newspapers designated etc. Not really a barn burner.

There's not too much in the way of commentary. But as always the comments are mine alone and reflect no one else's misanthropic view of life in Southeast.

My apologies in advance to all those appointees whose name spelling I butchered. And as I have been doing I've omitted my comments but would be happy to send them along if requested.

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:**

**1) Motion to Adopt Rules of Order.**

Robert's Rules of Order were adopted. 5-0

**2) Motion to Set Town Board Meeting Dates.**

Thursdays were adopted. 5-0

**3) Motion to Set Roll Call Voting Order of the Town Board.**

Will be done by seniority. 5-0

**4) Motion to Designate Official Depositories for the Town of Southeast.**

Mahopac National Bank or any other financial institution within

NY State. 5-0

**5) Motion to Designate Official Newspaper.**

The Journal News or the Putnam County Press 5-0. It is not necessary to use both newspapers together.

**6) Motion to Set Town Board Committees -**

- a) Putnam County Liaison-Honeck
- b) Brewster Village Liaison- Mitts
- c) Watershed - Croton Plan- Johnson
- d) IDA Liaison-Honeck
- e) Special Districts- Bonanno/  
Johnson
- f) Recreation-Mitts
- g) Personnel-Honeck
- h) Parking Facilities--Bonanno
- i) Cable-  
Mitts/Johnson j)
- Code Enforcement- Bonanno
- k) Landfill Closure- Johnson
- l) Planning Board- Mitts
- m) Zoning Board of Appeals- Honeck
- n) Conservation Board- Bonanno
- o) Tonetta Lake Advisory- Johnson
- p) Open Space Committee- Honeck

**7) Announcement of Town Clerks' Appointments of Deputy Town Clerks**

Angela Milano and Bernadette Kerbe. 5-0

**8) Motion to Appoint Registrar of Vital Statistics.**

Ruth Mazzei 5-0

**9) Motion to Appoint Handicap Issuing Agent.**

Ruth Mazzei 5-0

**10) Motion to Appoint Records Management Officer.**

Ruth Mazzei 5-0

**11) Motion to Appoint Marriage Officer.**

Ruth Mazzei 5-0

**12) Motion to Appoint Receiver of Taxes and Deputy Receiver of Taxes.**

Susan Tobacco and Nancy Dwyer 5-0

**13) Motion to Appoint Town Historian.**

Motion deferred

**14) Motion to Appoint Town Facilities and Special District Administrator.**

Michael Levine 5-0

**15) Motion to Appoint Wetlands Inspector.**

George Hauser 5-0

**16) Motion to Appoint Fire Inspector.**

Kenneth Clare

**Motion to Appoint Assistant Fire Inspector.**

John Leather

**Motion to Appoint Safety Coordination Officer.**

Jim Lawler

**17) Motion to Designate Town Counsel.**

**Changed to 17A:** Stephens and Charbonneau

**Changed to 17B Motion to Designate Town Engineer.**

Nathaniel Jacobson

**18) Motion to Appoint Delegate to Annual Association of**

**Towns Meeting and Alternate.**

Ruth Mazzei and Dick Honeck (Alternate) 5-0

**19) Motion to Appoint Fixed Assets Officer.**

Ron Hund- 5-0

**20) Motion to Set Mileage Rate.**

To conform to IRS rates. 5-0

**21) Motion to Adopt Standard Work Day.**

9:00-4:30 5-0

**22) Motion to Appoint the Dog Control Officer.**

Allen Jacnik

**23) Motion to Accept the Amended Fee Schedule for 2006  
and Special Districts**

**Rates for 2006.**

Adopted the same schedule as 2005. 5-0

**24) Motion to Authorize Putnam County to Levy Taxes.**

Adopted 5-0

**25) Announcement of Supervisor's Appointment of Deputy  
Supervisor.**

Paul Johnson 5-0

**26) Motion to Adopt Procurement Policy.**

Will remain as in 2005. 5-0

**27) Motion to Appoint Parking Enforcement Officer.**

William Reed

**28) Motion Appointing the Following Board Seats:**

Board of Assessment Review	Ellie
McCaughey 09/30/10	
Historic Sites Commission	Peter
Tringali 12/31/12	
Library	Frederick Voss 08/05/10
Zoning Board of Appeals	Thomas
Costello 12/31/10	
Architectural Review Board	Thomas
Frasca 12/31/08	Virginia

Stephens 12/31/08 John  
Goudy 12/31/08

Open Space Committee: David Bruen 12/31/06  
Don Burrows 12/31/06  
Kerry Cunningham 12/31/06  
Ann Fanizzi 12/31/06  
Cheri Ingraham 12/31/06  
Angelo Matra 12/31/06  
Mildred Nugent 12/31/06

Tonetta Lake Advisory Board:

Michael Langley 12/31/06  
Ralph Woodgate 12/31/06  
Robert Lund 12/31/06  
Karl Lebitsch 12/31/06  
Karen Ratajack 12/31/06  
Margaret Papp 12/31/06  
Robert Zubrycki 12/31/06  
Donald Hazen 12/31/06

All approved 5-0

29) **Motion to Appoint Open Space Committee Chairman**  
Deferred

30) **Motion to Appoint Tonetta Lake Advisory Board Chairman**

Don Hazen 5-0

31) **Motion to Appoint Planning Board Chairman**

George Rohrman 5-0

32) **Motion to Appoint Planning Board Vice Chairman**

David Rush 5-0

33) **Motion to Appoint Zoning Board Chairman**

Ed Colello 5-0

34) **Motion to Appoint Zoning Board Vice Chairman**

Thomas Costello 5-0

35) **Motion to Appoint Conservation Commission Chairman**

Stephen Fasano 5-0

36) **Motion to Appoint Architectural Review Board Chairman**

Deferred

37) **Motion to Appoint Acting Building Inspector**

Joe Hernandez 5-0

#### SPECIAL MEETING

1) Resolution - Grant Application - Peach Lake

Applying for grant with the Town of North Salem- the deadline is January 13th. The grant would reimburse 90% of up to \$100,000 per municipality. The municipality must match the 10%. Passes 5-0

2) Motion - To Refer Zoning Amendments to Putnam County Planning

Passed 5-0

#### COMMENTS:

There were a few quirky omissions. Apparently we can again do without a Town Historian. In the past this had been Mr. Rosenberg- although the position was left vacant in '05 as well. On the other hand, why bother with a town historian if several of our most important historic sites are still missing after a year.

No ARB Chair was chosen which seemed odd as the Board had just appointed an Architect to hold this position within the last several months.

The other most interesting change was the switch from the Putnam Courier to The Journal News as the Town's official Newspaper. Of course the Putnam County Press remains- which is great news for all of you with birds or kitty litter boxes. My guess as to the change to the Journal News is simply that it's a daily. Thus when public notices need to go to press pronto there's no need to wait for an inconvenient weekly deadline.

And about that Wetlands Inspector... I was kinda holding out hope that the Town Board might explore the possibility of disbanding the Conservation Commission to appoint a Wetland's Inspector who would advise the Planning Board throughout the application process. I, for one, am really tired of hearing how it's too late in the planning process to deny an application after the applicant has spent so much time and scads of dough on his/her application. Arggggggg... I mean, really, is there any possible way to enforce the wetlands regs the Town Board enacted. Hey, it's not too late for a New Year's resolution is it...

As always please feel free to e-mail me with any questions or comments that you may have.

With Best Regards,  
Lynne Eckardt

  

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